(October 28, 1996) Section 1-10.3(3) is revised to read:

All signs required by the approved traffic control plan(s) as well as any other appropriate signs prescribed by the Engineer shall be furnished by the Contractor. The Contractor shall provide the posts or supports and erect and maintain the signs in a clean, neat, and presentable condition until the necessity for them has ceased. All nonapplicable signs shall be removed or completely covered with metal, plywood, or an Engineer approved product specifically manufactured for sign covering during periods when they are not needed. When the need for these signs has ceased, the Contractor, upon approval of the Engineer, shall remove all signs, posts, and supports from the project and they shall remain the property of the Contractor.

All signs lost, stolen, damaged, or destroyed shall be replaced at the Contractor's expense.

All signs shall utilize materials, and be fabricated in accordance with, Section 9-28. All signs shall be constructed of Type I or II reflective background sheeting unless otherwise noted in the Plans.

Construction signs will be divided into two classes. Class A construction signs are those signs that remain in service throughout the construction or during a major phase of the work. They are mounted on posts, existing fixed structures, or substantial supports of a semi-permanent nature. Sign and support installation for Class A signs shall be in accordance with the Contract Plans or the Standard Plans. Class B construction signs are those signs that are placed and removed daily, or are used for short durations which may extend for one or more days. They are mounted on portable or temporary mountings. In the event of disputes, the Engineer will determine if a construction sign is considered as a Class A or B construction sign.

If it is necessary to add weight to signs for stability, only a bag of sand that will rupture on impact shall be used. The bag of sand shall: (1) be furnished by the Contractor, (2) have a maximum weight of 40 pounds, and (3) be suspended no more than 1 foot from the ground.

Payment for setup and take down of Class B signs will be limited to the labor cost to do the work described in Section 1-10.3(1), and for transportation described in Section 1-10.3(2).

The condition of the signs shall be new or "Acceptable" as defined in the book, Quality Standards For Work Zone Traffic Control Devices. The Engineer's decision on the condition of a sign shall be final.

The book, Quality Standards For Work Zone Traffic Control Devices, is available by writing to the American Traffic Safety Service Association, 5440 Jefferson Davis Hwy., Fredericksburg, VA 22407, telephone: (703) 898-5400, FAX: (703) 898-5510.

 Signs, posts, or supports that are lost, stolen, damaged, destroyed, or which the Engineer deems to be unacceptable while their use is required on the project, shall be replaced by the Contractor without additional compensation.